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Dear Ms. Hanlon:

I am writing to express my deep concern over the Yucca Mountain Project and the flawed process which is railroading it toward approval. How can the Secretary of Energy be preparing to recommend Yucca Mountain for a high-level nuclear waste dump when thousands of public comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement still have not been addressed? Without a Final Environmental Impact Statement, a detailed transportation scenario, finalized Siting Guidelines, or a licensing rule, the Department of Energy lacks the basis for consideration of site suitability. The public cannot have confidence in any recommendation that arises from such a defective process.

As a resident of St. Louis, a major transportation center, I certainly feel threatened by the lack of detailed transportation planning. I believe that the Yucca Mountain Project must not be allowed any serious consideration by the Secretary of Energy until people who reside or work along any of the possible routes the waste might take have been fully informed about the project and invited to public hearings. Everyone knows that newspaper and TV coverage of the project does not begin to address all the hazards which the public must know about.

I urge you to abandon the Yucca Mountain Project.

Yours truly,

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